

Project Initiation Memorandum

To: Chief Geographic Research
From: A/ Chief, Geography Division

Project No.: 64,1695
Date: 25 July 58

1. Subject of Proposed Project: International Highways of Soviet Central Asia

2. Statement of Problem: (Outline to be attached)

To produce details on roads that lead from the Soviet Union into Iran, Afghanistan, and Turkey, including:

- a. Width of road
- b. Surface material and condition
- c. Logistic capacity
- d. Gradients
- e. Bridges
- f. Passes

3. Requester: [REDACTED] Chief, Acquisition Branch, OISD/DD/P -- Case K-5640.

Copy of memorandum of request attached.

4. Responsible Analyst: [REDACTED] Branch: USSR 25X1A9a

5. Kind and Extent of Cooperation Desired from:

- a. Other divisions of the Geographic Area (include maps):
- b. D/GL Domestic Procurement:
- c. Other parts of CIA:
- d. Outside CIA:

6. Estimated Man Hours: 25

7. Probable Completion Date: August 1958

8. Probable Form of Final Publication: G/I-

9. Special Recommendations Regarding Distribution of Finished Report:

Requester only.

10. Comments:

This information is in addition to that provided in G/I-179, April 1956.

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20 JUL 1958

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Assistant Director, ORR

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